

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Zacherl, *et al.* Docket No.: 2002 P 07110 US
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Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed concurrently with a National Stage application under 35 U.S.C. § 371. An English translation of the originally filed German language application is also concurrently being filed. The English language translation was modified to include paragraph numbers but otherwise is a true and accurate translation of the originally filed German specification.

Applicant respectfully requests that this amendment be entered prior to examination. In particular, headings have been added to the specification, a reference numeral added to paragraph [0027], originally filed claims 1-12 are canceled and claims 13-32 are added.